

NM EQIP FY 2005 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Grazing Lands - Los Lunas F.O.

Applicant: _____ Farm No. _____ Tract No. _____ CMS Field No's. _____ Date: _____

Tribal Land _____ Non-Tribal Land _____ Preliminary Rating ____ Final Rating ____

1. Plants - 65 Potential Points (25% of Total)

Note: Instructions on separate sheet		% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After Treatment.	Potential Points	Bench-mark Points	After Points
Grazing Plan	Intensive Rotation			30		
	Seasonal Use			15		
	Continuous Use			0		
Deferment Period	>90% of Growing Season			20		
	51-90% of Growing Season			10		
	26-50% of Growing Season			5		
	0-25% of Growing Season			0		
Stocking Rate Based On: MLRA _____ SITE _____ SL- 26-50	1 aum/> 11 acres			15		
	1 aum/9-11 acres			10		
	1 aum/6-8.9 acres			5		
	1 aum/<6 acres			0		
				1. Plants	Total:	

2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 160 Potential Points (65% of Total)

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the conservation plan of operations must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans. Select resource concerns from NM Quality Criteria Guide.		Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	After Points
Soil Erosion - Sheet and Rill, Deposition (30)				
windbreaks (392)		10		
diversion (362)		10		
grade stabilization (410)		10		
Water Quality - Drinking Water (30)				
livestock wells, troughs, livestock pipeline (516)		10		
ponds (378)		10		
spring development (574)		10		
Water Quality - Surface Water Contaminants, Suspended Sediments(30)				
diversions (362)		10		
brush management - mechanical (314)		10		
brush management - chemical (314)		10		
Air Dust (10)				
farmstead or field windbreak (380/392)		5		
range seeding (550)		5		
Plants -Suitability, Condition and Management (30)				
fencing (382)		5		
brush management (314)		5		
range planting (550)		5		
Animal - Food, Cover/Shelter, Population & Resource Balance (30)				
range seeding (550)		10		
watering facilities 648		10		
wells (642), pipeline (516), troughs (614)		5		
brush management (314)		5		
2. Conservation Practice Selection		Total:		

3. Other Considerations - 25 Potential Points (10% of Total)

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Items A thru D are required. If there are other criteria the D.C. wants to <u>recommend</u> based on LWG advice, please include them as item E.	Potential Points	Bench-mark Points	After Points
A. At risk species habitat will be enhanced.	5	0	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	5	0	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or planned sec. 319 project.	5	0	
D. The land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed.	5	0	
E. Attended a grazing land workshop or implemented range monitoring sites.	5	0	
3. Other Considerations	Total:	0	

Total Points (After minus Benchmark): Section 1 _____ Section 2 _____ Section 3 _____ Total for Worksheet _____ *

***A minimum of ____ total points must be earned to be considered for contract selection.**

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Designated Conservationist

Date